

CATTLEMEN EXPERIENCING UNSETTLED CONDITION OF CATTLE MARKETS

PHOENIX, Dec. 12.—Cattlemen of Arizona are experiencing the most unsettled condition of cattle markets that have been known for many years back. This uncertainty of markets and market prices for cattle coming from feed lots and ranges of our state seems due to a very great extent to the present chaotic condition of the Los Angeles stockyards.

The Union Stock Yards in Los Angeles have been the direct cause for holding back of several cattle buyers who heretofore have worked throughout this state and as a result not nearly as many cattle have moved from our ranges as in years back. Since the opening of the stock yards November 1st, hundreds of head of cattle have moved into Los Angeles from Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana that have formerly gone to eastern pens. These cattle are thrown on the open market in the coast city and in many instances have sold for a great sacrifice, being unable to move elsewhere. This condition added to that of holding back buyers from adjacent states to California have resulted in fewer cattle being sold throughout Arizona than for several seasons previous. It directly forces Arizona cattle to compete against the extremely heavy steers and cows from those northwest and Rocky mountain states.

At present good heavy beef steers are selling from 6-7-14c per pound in Los Angeles, whereas the same steers bought on the ranges and taken to plants in San Francisco will cost buyers from 7c to 8c laid down in the Bay City. This materially reflects a much weaker market in Los Angeles today over that of the prices paid by San Francisco buyers. Many shipments of cattle have been forced to feed several days in Los Angeles before a buyer makes a bid on them and this extreme expense of cars is borne by the owner who ships to that market. Furthermore, the freight charges and the shrinkage as well as the feed during transit must be met by the owner. This coupled with the delay at the yards in finding a buyer makes a much reduced market price for cattle in Los Angeles. Even after a buyer is found the owner must pay a very high commission for the sale.

It is a deplorable condition indeed and cattlemen not only in California, but over the ranges of Arizona are feeling the heavy effects of the depressed conditions. The stock yards thus far are proving no salvation whatsoever to the cattlemen of this state and it will be interesting to watch the progress of those yards upon the cattle industry of the entire southwest.

The cattle growers are loathe to give up the present fair system of selling their herds at the ranches where "cutbacks" can then be left at home and never be shipped if not sold. The buyers thus handle the shipping as the cattle leave the ranges, and the cattlemen himself is in this way not forced to play the other man's game on the open market.

From a feeder standpoint which is the bulk of cattle Arizona supplies to California—the stock yards so far prove of no value whatsoever and the same respect as on fat cattle are depressing conditions materially.

Arizona cattlemen should watch constantly the progress made by the Union Yards in Los Angeles and the effects they are bringing about. California receives practically all of Arizona cattle and if the Los Angeles yards continue to prove a hindrance the cattlemen should do all within their power to keep away from that system of marketing. Should they prove a success, of course cattlemen will welcome the change of conditions.

The Arizona Cattle Growers' association is doing its part in watching the movements and conditions of the stock yards and the association should be backed up by every cowman in the state. Let's Stick or We're Stuck. Join the association now for the paramount issues that must be watched and worked on.

H. M. RICE, Secretary, Arizona Cattle Growers' Association.

ARIZONA WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW BY CHARLES F. WILLIS, Editor Arizona Mining Journal.

Dos Cabezas—The Central Copper Company, Dos Cabezas, Arizona, John W. Prout, Jr. General manager is bringing up ore from several different levels that is reported to range in value from \$10 to \$90 a ton. It is estimated that over a million tons of ore is now in reserve at this mine and this is being daily increased.

Miami—The Miami Copper Company, Miami, Arizona, F. W. McClellan produced approximately six and one half million pounds of copper in October, according to a report of the Company and it is estimated that 5,000 tons of ore is being produced daily at this time, which supplies five sections of this concentrator.

Copper Hill—The Superior and Boston Copper company, Globe, Ariz., E. G. Dean, superintendent, are making shipments to the International smelter of 33 cars of ore a month, averaging 4 per cent copper and 9 to 10 ounces of silver. Below the 1200 foot level the ground is being explored with a diamond drill.

Jerome—The Jerome-Superior Copper company, Jerome, Ariz., George Mitchell, general manager, will resume operations early in January. Continuous litigation has prevented progress of development at this mine for more than two years, but development will continue now that all differences have been adjusted.

Douglas—Financial arrangements have been made for the immediate completion of the plant of the Nacozari Consolidated Copper company, Nacozari, Sonora, Mexico, and shipments of ore to the El Paso smelter will be started within sixty days, according to John G. Alexander, general manager, and B. B. Russell, secretary.

Moroni—The Staro Mines, Inc., Moroni, Ray Ferguson, manager, will begin operation of the new cyanide mill, 75-ton capacity, the middle of December. This mill has been in course of construction for some months. Mr. Benjamin Getzoff, Bernardville, N. J., president, has arrived to witness the initial run.

Douglas—The Copper Queen smelter in Douglas produced approximately nine and one-half million pounds of copper during the month of November. This month's production was practically the same as for October. Construction is to start at once on the changing of their bedding system to conveyor than the steam shovel system.

Nogales—The Taft Mining and Exploration company, Nogales, Ariz., secured the services of D. E. Coughlan to take charge of operations at the mine; work is about to be started on the sinking of a shaft. Two shifts will be employed in order to complete the work at the earliest possible date, stated R. H. Hunter, manager.

Parker—The 300 ton leaching plant of the Arizona Standard Copper company is about 80 per cent completed. All heavy machinery is set and it is anticipated that they will be ready for a test run shortly. W. E. Carrigan is manager and J. F. Archer, superintendent. The mine office is at Parker, Arizona.

Prescott—The Verde Inspiration Mining company, Prescott, will have the installation of all new machinery completed and be in operation by February first, according to Charles E. Steiner, foreman. The main shaft is now down 375 feet and the ore averages \$40 a ton in copper and shows both gold and silver, says Steiner.

Copper Situation—There has been little change in the copper situation during the past week, but the most encouraging news comes from the reports of the porphyry coppers showing that the last quarter was profitable under present prices of copper, whereas the previous quarter showed a loss. The Ray Consolidated showed a profit of \$57,900 for the last quarter as compared with a deficit of \$247,567 for the previous quarter.

Holbrook—Big oil company appropriates \$1,000,000 for development of four state oil belt.

Phoenix—Permanent association of pure bred livestock men being organized.

TRIAL OF ALLEGED BANK WRECKER TO OPEN THIS MORNING

PHOENIX, Dec. 12.—Doane Merrill, state superintendent of banks, left last night for Yuma to assist H. H. Baker, county attorney of Yuma county, in the trial of Alva E. Smith, vice-president of the Allev Bank of Parker, which starts this morning. Smith will be tried on a charge of misappropriating the funds of the bank whose doors were closed last August by Mr. Merrill. Smith also faces several other charges in connection with the breaking of this bank. He has been held in the Yuma county jail under bonds of \$125,000 since the middle of September.

The charge on which the trial of Smith will start today, specifically charges him with the misappropriation of \$10,000 of the bank's money. It is alleged in the charge that when he bought an interest in the bank last spring, he gave the owner of the stock a check drawn on an eastern bank, and that after assuming control of the affairs of the bank as vice-president, he deposited \$10,000 of the funds of the Parker bank in the eastern bank to cover the check he had given for the stock of the Parker bank.

A number of Oklahoma bank officials and John Knox, state bank examiner of Oklahoma, will be in Yuma for the trial and all will testify at the trial. In addition to these a number of other eastern bank officials also will be present. Smith is wanted in Oklahoma on a number of charges in connection with the breaking of a bank there. He also is wanted in Omaha on federal warrants charging him with the forging of a number of government bonds.

EVER WIDENING HUNT FOR LOST FLIERS FUTILE

NOGALES, Ariz., Dec. 11.—Four United States airplanes, under command of Captain R. G. Ervin, penetrated Mexico to a depth of eighty miles today in an extension of the search for Colonel Francis C. Marshall and Lieutenant C. L. Webber, into foreign territory.

The four planes crossed the border not far from Nogales, Captain Ervin stated on his return, flew due south to Magdalena, then turned west for a distance of sixty miles and returning re-entered the United States near Ruby, west of Nogales late this afternoon.

No trace of the missing aviators was found, Captain Ervin announced though the searchers flew low to investigate two suspicious looking fires and flying in spread formation "gridiron" a wide area. No attempt was made to land in Mexico.

BISBEE YOUNGSTER PEDALS 28 MILES ON HIS TRICYCLE

BISBEE, Dec. 12.—John Andrews, 6 son of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Andrews, of this city, claims the world tricycle record. Yesterday morning the boy started for a ride. Late in the afternoon a police officer in Douglas halted him for riding his tricycle on a sidewalk. Douglas is 28 miles from Bisbee. Little John, according to his story, pedaled the 28 miles in about nine hours, 34 minutes and 40 seconds. He returned to Bisbee in an automobile and found that his parents were greatly worried but not at all interested in his claim to the tricycle championship.

MAJOR LINTON HURT WHEN AUTO TURNS OVER IN STREET

PHOENIX, Dec. 11.—Major E. S. Linton, inspector-instructor under Col. Walter S. Ingalls, state adjutant general, was severely cut on the neck and sustained a general shock as a result of an accident when the automobile in which he was driving overturned on Roosevelt near Sixteenth street yesterday afternoon. He is at St. Joseph's hospital for treatment, but unless his condition is reversed within the next 24 hours he will be able to go to his home in three or four days.

How the accident occurred is not known. Major Linton was alone in the car and he himself is unable to shed any light on it.

FATE OF FLYERS STILL UNKNOWN AS CAVALRY AND PLANES SEARCH

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The planes will take to the air again tomorrow to aid in the work which has grown more disheartening daily as old clues are found to be groundless and new ones fail to show any information of value.

Although reports of planes seen on Thursday when the plane disappeared continue to drift into the searchers' headquarters, the information contained in them grows more ethereal every day, and no information of real value has been gained since the reports of the plane sighted over the Whetstones. As the search of these mountains and those nearby approaches completion, however, Colonel Winans is inclined to attach less importance to these reports, which appeared so valuable at the time when they were first received. It is for this reason that the search is being directed more closely to the western end of the route, although this territory has already been fairly well searched by the planes which have traversed it in coming here from the coast.

PHOENIX, Dec. 16.—Col. Walter S. Ingalls, state adjutant general, accompanied by Col. H. A. Hanigan, of the Arizona national guard, left here late today for a point on the Salome road, 85 miles west of Phoenix, where he will start a search at daylight tomorrow for the two men seen wandering on the desert by motorists yesterday.

The men were described as wearing leather coats and Colonel Ingalls expressed the belief that they might have been Col. Francis C. Marshall and Lieut. C. L. Webber, missing aviators, who disappeared last week on their way from San Diego to Fort Huachuca.

The report was made to the adjutant general by Mrs. Charles H. Limbach, of Chicago, who crossed the desert yesterday with her mother, Mrs. Walter Warder, also of Chicago, and her chauffeur.

Mrs. Limbach said the two men were about 500 yards from the road and were walking around with their heads down as though they were looking for something. She said she thought nothing of the incident until it was recalled to her mind by the latest accounts of the missing aviators in today's papers.

Military authorities believed that the two aviators, as a result of recent rains, might have found enough water on the desert to keep them alive and might have been walking in a dazed condition when seen.

Colonel Ingalls communicated the information to Col. E. B. Winans at Tucson this afternoon, and was advised to make the search.

Mrs. Limbach said she could not say whether the men wore helmets or tight fitting caps, as she saw them only at a distance.

The Phoenix-Salome road runs through a desert region north of the airplane route from California and has been given little attention in the earlier search for the missing aviators.

FIND BODY OF MAN DEAD FOR MANY MONTHS

DOUGLAS, Dec. 12.—The body of L. A. Bickle, former Douglas smelterman, was found in the tunnel of the abandoned Warren Basin mine near Twin Buttes yesterday by Jas. Kelly and son and Kena French, who were looking over the property with a view to reopening it. Bickle apparently had been dead for more than a year, and although the body was badly decomposed there was evidence that he was killed by some blunt instrument and thrown into the mine tunnel.

Bickle left Douglas about the time the smelters closed down in 1921 after announcing he was going into Mexico to operate a mine with a partner. He has never been seen or heard from since.

The body was sent to Lowell, where a coroner's inquest will be held soon.

Bickle was a former resident of Tombstone, being engaged at a local blacksmith shop many years ago.

LONDON STRUGGLES TO MAINTAIN ITS WORLD SILVER MARKET LEADERSHIP

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—More pronounced demand from China has created much stronger silver markets during the week with prices at New York up about one cent an ounce. At London prices have ranged from \$21.6d. to \$21.16d. Exchange rates on Far Eastern countries shows the most improvement in some time of Hong Kong and Yokohama doubtless due to the larger silk shipments.

On Thursday (December 7), London prices were off to \$21.78d., but actual New York sales were above 65 cents, although the New York-London equivalent was 64.3-8 cents. Shipments direct to China from this country have been larger during the week and prices are more independent of those made in London.

Exchange on India holds at the high record of the year, 30.12 cents. The strong jute markets at New York and Calcutta are probably one of the strongest influences.

Silver stocks at Shanghai are much smaller. At the beginning of the month they amounted to a little less than 40,000,000 ounces in sycee, 33,490,000 dollars and 1100 bars, against 42,000,000 ounces in sycee, 35,000,000 dollars and 1530 bars on November 15.

The strength in China's position this week may be attributed to the Chinese New Year demand which comes in February, rather than the two weeks' earlier period of last year.

Political conditions in China continue greatly disturbed but they very rarely influence the general overseas markets.

RUSSIA'S GOLD, SILVER DEMANDS
A cable from Moscow this week reported "coin specie" held in the State Bank of Russia at 5,000,000 rubles, gold par. This consists of gold, silver, and some rouble, it is understood, and is used as a "backing" for the new paper money of that country.

MEXICAN OUTPUT, CONSUMPTION
Official reports on the monthly silver production of Mexico have not been received subsequent to July. For the first six months output was 38,480,000 ounces. In July production declined from 21,857,106 kilos to 188,271,977, and for August, September, October and November it is understood that production has been even smaller. Our imports from Mexico for August were \$3,397,399, in September \$4,155,275, and in October less than \$2,600,000.

Silver coinage of Mexico for September was reported at 4,600,000 pieces of one peso each. It is understood that demand for gold and silver coinage in November and at the moment is even larger.

INDIAN GOLD-SILVER MOVEMENTS
The exceptional large imports of gold and silver into India in the 12 months, October, 1921, to September, 1922, are shown in the official report which gives gold imports at 276,600,000 rupees and in silver at 147,100,000 rupees. In October, combined gold and silver imports were 38,400,000 rupees. Exports were smaller at 3,200,000 rupees.

Merchandise imports into India for October amounted to 229,000,000 rupees against 235,400,000 in October of last year, and about the largest for this year. Exports were also higher at 216,250,000, compared with 182,200,000 rupees last year. The result, however, is in the first adverse trade balance for India since last January.

U. S. SILVER PURCHASES
The Director of the Mint has been a large buyer of domestic silver so far this month, the total amounting to 3,712,000 ounces, against 2,110,536 ounces in November and 7,631,625 in October. No doubt a large part of these early December purchases represent ore in transit toward the end of last month.

Total for the year to date is 56,780,524 against 53,663,304 for the entire 12 months of last year.

Most of the purchases this week were for delivery at the Philadelphia mint, and at 99.5-8 cents net, rather than the 99.1-4 cent price at the Denver mint.

JIROU EXILED FROM ARIZONA FOR 25 YEARS
TUCSON, Dec. 11.—Banishment



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from the state for a period of 25 years and suspension of the imposition of sentence for that period on condition that he leave the state within 24 hours was the punishment meted out today to Frank W. Jiro, a confessed participant in the holdup of the Golden State Limited on the Southern Pacific railroad on the morning of May 16 at a point about eight miles west of Tucson. As Jiro is now 61 years old, the sentence is considered equivalent to banishment for life.

In explaining the reasons for the sentence, Judge Kirke T. Moore told Jiro that he suspended the imposition of sentence because of the promises of leniency which had been made to him by officers investigating the crime on condition that he tell the names of the other members of the party and turn state's evidence.

Under the law, Judge Moore said, the lightest sentence he could give him would be 10 years in the state penitentiary, and he did not feel that this would be carrying out the promise of leniency which had been made to him. For this reason, the judge said, he would suspend the imposition of sentence for 25 years.

SPECIAL GRIDIRON

AT PHOENIX BEGUN
PHOENIX, Dec. 7.—Construction of the special gridiron on which Arizona University and the Utah Aggies will meet in a post season game Christmas day began today at the state fair grounds.

LAYING OF CORNERSTONE OF HI SCHOOL

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That education is the most vital portion in the makeup of this great country of ours, was the sentiment of Dean Butler in his address. He closed his well pointed speech by making a plea for education for leadership, and said that he was sure that Tombstone's new Union high school would lead its efforts toward that objective.

Members of the board of education of both the Union high school and the grammar school were on the platform with the Grand Lodge members during the ceremony.

CLARA PHILLIPS BELIEVED ARRESTED IN WYOMING

In the arrest of a woman who got off the Burlington passenger train from Billings, at Casper, Wyoming, last night, Captain Clayton, of the Casper police department, believes he has captured Mrs. Clara Phillips, convicted of the hammer murder of Mrs. Alberta Meadows at Los Angeles some time ago. The woman, accompanied by a man, got off the train about 8:15 p. m., and immediately entered a closed taxicab. Two motorcycle officers followed her and made the arrest within two blocks. The police announce the description of the woman fits Mrs. Phillips closely.

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